IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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METHOD AND APPARATUS

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AMENDMENT

September 18, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents BOX RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed with a "Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114".

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated June 18, 2001 having a statutory period for response set to expire on September 18, 2001. Please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend independent claims 1, 6, 12, 15 and 21. Following is a clean version of the amended claims, and a clean version of all the pending claims. In addition, a marked version showing the changes to the amended claims follows the Remarks section of this Amendment.